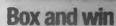


Tuesday, April 21, 2015



Boxer heading for provincial finals

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Archbishop Smith visits

Archbishop Richard Smith visits students at St. Anthony's and Trinity Schools on April 1.

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One person dead after fire destroys mobile home



Cathy Weetman Western Review

A member of the fire department can only watch as fire consumed a mobile home located at 47th Avenue and 55th Street in Drayton Valley Thursday morning. Police can only confirm that the remains of a person were found in the front area of the mobile home and have been taken to the medical examiner's office in Edmonton. Neither the identity of the deceased nor the cause of death have been determined yet.

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News

MOBILE HOME FIRE IN DRAYTON VALLEY SHOCKS NEIGHBOURS, BODY IN REMAINS STILL NOT IDENTIFIED



Cathy Weetman Western Review

(clockwise from left to right) neighbours hug after police find remains of a body; a firefighter puts out hot spots left after the home burned down; firefighters pull the roof off the mobile home that burned; the fire was so intense that the nearby trees caught fire.



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Next Regular meeting of Council
Wed. Apr. 22 2015
Council Chambers, Town Office • 9:00 a.m.

Next Governance & Priorities Meeting
Wed. Apr. 22, 2015
Town Office • 1:00 p.m.

Council Proclamations
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April 19 - 25

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News

Mayor explains county tax reduction impacts the town

30 per cent municipal tax reduction in the county affects the town

Melinda Latta
Western Review

Mayor Glenn McLean is left feeling disappointed after a 30 per cent municipal tax reduction chosen some residents in the county.

"It is in our judgement a direct violation of the spirit of the annexation settlement agreement," said McLean.

During a special meeting at the county when councillors were debating a 30 per cent tax reduction a letter from the town was read. The Town of Drayton Valley annexed

land from the county in 2011 based upon a mutual agreement.

"It was a condition of both annexation orders that land and improvements within the annexation area be assessed by the town as if they had remained in the county and must be taxed on the lower of the tax rates established by the town or the county," states the letter. "It is therefore apparent that if the county lowers the tax rate by 30 per cent the county would be effectively lowering the tax rate for those properties within the town that are within the annexation area."

McLean explained the financial loss of the county's decision to the town is \$16,000, which isn't a huge sum by itself.

"It's not 16,000 one

year, it's 16,000 every year. And should they contemplate something in the future, my hope and expectation would be that they reconsider this course of action and the impact it has on their neighbours," said McLean.

The agreement that was in place in 2011 is valid for 50 years, which has a compounding effect on town's revenue.

"The motivation for town agreeing to that [annexation decision] was in an effort toward directing community building. The town agreed to it to ameliorate any concerns from those formerly county residents as they adjust to life within our boundaries. So it was very much in the spirit of community that, that undertaking was given," he said.

During the special meeting at the county to discuss the budget, Coun. Anthony Heanish

and priorities committee meeting at the town.

For McLean, it is about more than just the revenue.

"Although monetarily it's not a dramatic consequence to us, it's approximately \$16,000 dollars [per year]. The significance of it is, there appears to be little of any consideration of the impact of their decision on the town," he explained.

Councillors were going to further discuss the issue during the meeting.

"The council will discuss it in the council-only portion [private] of our agenda as to where we go from here in our relationship," he said.

During the special meeting at the county to discuss the budget, Coun. Anthony Heanish

had said he was on the Brazeau County council to serve the residents of the county.

NOTICE OF APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

Please be advised that the Development Authority of the Town of Drayton Valley has approved the following permits with conditions:

DV15-015 400-47 Street
64 High Density Residential
22 Unit Care Building
Issued (with conditions) April 20, 2015

APPEAL AGAINST A DECISION OF THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

An appeal may be made to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by any persons claiming to be affected by the aforementioned decisions. Written submissions stating grounds for appeal plus required fees must be received no later than 14 days after the date of Newspaper Publication.

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Wildfire Advisory

Early Cancellation

The fire advisory in the Rocky Wildfire Management Area (RWMA) remains in effect.

Safe camps are permitted in campgrounds and backcountry or random camping areas. For more information check www.alberta.ca.

Fire Permits

Due to the high fire hazard all fire permits are suspended and no new fire permits are being issued.

Alerts are encouraged to check the status of the fire advisory by checking www.alberta.ca.

The Hummingbird prescribed fire has been postponed until more favorable weather conditions. The area is now open for public use.

Hazard reduction burnings, pending favourable weather conditions, may be carried out in the Medicine Lake, Jackfish Lake, Saunders, Bata Creek, Wildhorse Creek, Brazeau Dam as well as along highway 752 west of Cow Lake and along 734 south of Nordleg.



TOWN OF DRAYTON VALLEY

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF DRAYTON VALLEY
SECTION 251 - THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT

TAKE NOTICE that Administration of the Town of Drayton Valley, in the Province of Alberta intends to present Council for first, second and third reading local improvement amendments Bylaw No. 2015/05/F for previously approved Bylaw No. 2013/18/F and Bylaw No. 2014/19/F. Upon final passage and approval, Bylaw No. 2015/05/F shall authorize the proper officers of the said Town to assess the registered owners of the affected properties by way of a local improvement levy, to pay for the cost of the following municipal purposes, namely the extension of Brougham Drive, southwest of 52nd Street (within the limits of the said municipality).

The total cost of the aforesaid project amounts to \$692,600.00. The local improvement levies are to be repayable to the Town in no more than ten (10) equal consecutive annual instalments of combined principal and interest, the annual interest not to exceed two point fifty seven per cent (2.57%), or the interest rate as fixed from time to time by the Alberta Capital Finance Authority.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE is hereby given by the Council of the Town of Drayton Valley that, unless a petition of the owners for a vote on By-law No. 2015/05/F is demanded, as provided for by the terms of Section 231 of the Municipal Government Act, the said Council may pass the said amended local improvement By-law. All persons interested are hereby notified and they are required to govern themselves accordingly.

DATED at the Town of Drayton Valley, in the Province of Alberta, this 14th day of April 2015

Town of Drayton Valley
PER:
Signed (Manny Deoli)
(Chief Administrative Officer)

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UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- The next regular Council Meetings will be on April 21st starting at 9 am.
 - Women in Business Network (WIB) Business Breakfast on April 30th starting at 7:15 am at Lakewood Inn & Suites.
- All Council meetings are held in the Council Chamber and are open to the public. Information about Brazeau County employment opportunities can be found in the employment section on our website, www.brazeau.ab.ca department/administration/employment.



Alberta Works Week

April 27 to May 1, 2015

April 27, 2015
1:00pm to 3:00pm

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Court

Former Drayton Valley resident to be sentenced in August

City News, Western Review

A Drayton Valley resident will have to wait until August 11 to find out his fate after Judge Marilyn White found him guilty of three separate charges dating back to an incident on July 27 of 2013.

In Drayton Valley Court April 14, White read the circumstances surrounding the case that led up to Adam Beck being charged with taking a vehicle without permission, public mischief and failing to stop/evading a police officer. Beck's version of the July 27 incident was that while staying at his aunt and uncle's residence, somebody had broken into the garage and the house while they were away and had stolen the truck keys, house keys and Dodge Ram 3/4 tonne pickup truck that was

parked in the garage. The Ram was later found abandoned and heavily damaged after getting hung up on a stairwell and later on a fence. He also claimed he was out drinking with friends at a bush party and left between 1:25 and 2:10 a.m. He and his friends then arrived back at his aunt and uncle's residence where he continued to drink seven to nine beers in the garage.

Beck added he later contacted the RCMP officer who was looking for the truck, his aunt and uncle.

Judge White said she found Beck's evidence "totally unreliable and on many occasions, it was an outright lie."

However, testimony from the RCMP officer involved in the case indicated he had observed the truck and driver on four sepa-

rate occasions on July 27, and described the driver as being a younger, smaller man with piercings in both ears and large holes in each ear.

The first time the officer spotted him parked on the wrong side of the road speaking with another driver. When the officer asked him to move out of the driving lane, the driver began to drive away, but then took off at a fast pace with the officer in pursuit. After turning onto 50th Street and 44th Avenue, this was the last time he saw the truck until he heard a crash a few minutes later at 49th Avenue and 46th Street. Upon investigation, the truck had gotten stuck on a stair well. While the officer left his vehicle and was approaching the truck, his driver began backing toward the officer, who was forced to move his patrol car to avoid

a collision. The truck took off down the back alley but got hung up on a fence causing more damage to the vehicle. When the officer told the truck's driver to get out of the vehicle, he did so but took off running. With the assistance of two other officers, Beck was found lying on the couch in the basement of his relative's home, where the officer identified him as the driver of the truck.

White added she believed the officer was unwavering and truthful in his testimony about the incident and found Beck guilty on all three charges. Once the facts assessment is completed, a pre-sentencing report will be issued.

Beck is now residing and working in Brooks, but White ordered him to return to Drayton Valley on August 11 for sentencing.

News

WRSD has started its budget discussions

School board is budgeting dollars

Marilyn Luffa
Western Review

Wild Rose School Division is facing a deficit of three million for 2014-2015 school year.

"What we had to do was get close to the budget. To balance the budget this year was to cut out three million dollars from the 14-15 year looking at the 15-16 school

year. So we had to trim what we spent this year by 14-15 by about three million dollars," said Superintendent of schools Brian Celli.

Last week, the school board scheduled an informal budget discussion open to public to talk about the numbers before the board approves the budget in the upcoming board meeting in May.

"I can't go into tons of details because the board hasn't approved the budget yet," said Celli. "The board isn't facing negative figures, because it has reserves to rely on."

"For 14-15 school year, we are sitting at three million dollar deficit. That won't put us in a negative position as a school division. We still have money in the bank," said Celli.

There may soon come a time when the division will be facing difficulties. "We have basically tried to establish a budget for 15-16 school year. If things don't change, it will carry us through the 16-17 school year but if things don't change then, we will be in trouble."

School board Secretary Treasurer Mohammed

Arizm, said the goal is to even out the numbers next school year.

"With 16-17 our goal is to have a balanced budget and contribute towards a little

bit towards reserves," said Arizm.

Celli explained although the government provided some funding, the school board couldn't retain

the dollars. The board received about \$560,000 in one area and lost about \$630,000 when a reduction in all other grants was announced.



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NOTICE OF APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

FILE: 14D-201

The following development permit has been issued by the Brazeau County Development Authority:

PROPOSAL: Single detached dwelling 223 m² (2400 ft²) with partially covered deck 88 m² (952 ft²), and attached garage 125 m² (1344 ft²). A variance is granted to the maximum height from 8.5 m (28 ft) to 9.4 m (31 ft).

LEGAL DESC: Lot 11 Block 2 Plan 972 347 within SE 4-49-7 WSM (Valley View Estates)

Written notice of an appeal for this permit, containing reasons for the appeal, and a \$250.00 appeal fee must be received by the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, either by hand or registered mail, at the Offices of Brazeau County by 5:00 p.m., May 6, 2015.

For further information, please contact the Planning and Development Department at: 780-542-2667.

NOTICE OF APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

FILE: 15D-016

The following development permit has been issued by the Brazeau County Development Authority:

PROPOSAL: Demolition/removal of accessory (garage) 69.9 m² and construction of accessory (garage) 89.2 m². A variance is granted to the front yard setback from 40 m (131 ft) to 15.94 m (52 ft) from the accessory (garage) 89.2 m² to the front (south) property line. A variance to allow the accessory (garage) 89.2 m² to be located within the front yard of the residential parcel is also granted.

LEGAL DESC: Lot A Plan 912 0025 within SE 34-49-7 WSM (RR 72 and Twp Rd 495)

Written notice of an appeal for this permit, containing reasons for the appeal, and a \$250.00 appeal fee must be received by the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, either by hand or registered mail, at the Offices of Brazeau County by 5:00 p.m., May 6, 2015.

For further information, please contact the Planning and Development Department at: 780-542-2667.

NOTICE

Roadside Vegetation Control Program

Brazeau County Agricultural Services Division will be carrying out roadside spraying of prohibited noxious, noxious weeds and woody vegetation (brush) throughout the County from May to October. For public safety, a buffer zone will be maintained between these roadside spray areas and county residences/yard sites.

As per our Vegetation Management policy, spraying on roadsides is done under the authority of Alberta's Weeds Control Act. Brazeau County is required to control the weeds in the roadside just like any other landowner is on privately owned land. As well, in the public interest of safety, brush control is performed to increase the sightlines on roadways and intersections. With this, costs of maintaining these open roadways are reduced where brush and trees are managed properly as it makes snow removal easier and allows roads to dry out quicker after precipitation falls.

For those landowners interested in herbicide being applied into the fence line of property adjacent to county right of way, please contact the office. An agreement can be entered into whereby County staff will treat up to 1 meter inside the fence line at no cost to landowner.

For further information about any of the above mentioned programs, please contact the undersigned at (780) 542-7777.

Lisa Rabel
Agricultural Fieldman

Tara McGinn
Assistant Agricultural Fieldman

Parent wants to be on board

Wendy Snow is running to be a trustee

Marilyn Luffa
Western Review

An involved parent is running to be a trustee for Wild Rose School Division (WRSD).

Wendy Snow is an involved parent and believes there needs to be a parent's voice on the board.

"I am an involved parent. I think there are enough teachers on board. I think we need to have some diversity," said candidate Snow. "I think what we need to have is someone who can be a voice for parents that has gone through the system with the children and knows how it works with the other side of the table."

Snow has put her name in the hat alongside of retired teacher Russell Hickman, running for Ward One. Heidi Heth-

erington was elected by acclamation in Ward Five as she was the only candidate to step forward in that ward.

Snow has been very involved with various schools.

"I have served on school council for four schools in Ward One in Drayton Valley, Eldorado Elementary, Drayton Christian, HW Pickup, and Frank Madock," she said.

Wendy is a parent and a legal guardian. "I am married with two children currently in Frank Madock High School and I am a legal guardian to a niece who is starting school in fall. So I have pretty invested interest in quality of education in Drayton Valley," she said.

Snow knows what it's like to be a parent.

"I have been there, done that, I have a child who is a high achiever and I have a child who is special needs. So from one spectrum to the other I have lived it and I know what they are

going through and I would advocate for them [parents] and for their children," she said.

As far as making some changes on the board, she wants to focus on funding. "The dollars are just not there from the government. I know that the school division has talked for a few years about corporate sponsorships, but all they have done is talk about it. So I would like to see them really start to maybe look at accepting proposals and bringing parents and teachers and all stakeholders involved in the decision making of what would be appropriate corporate sponsorships," she said.

The election date is set for May 7.

"I think our biggest struggle is voter apathy. So I am out, door knocking and talking to people and just trying to convince them that this is still an important decision and people need to come out and vote for it as well," said Snow.

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Our editorial

Baby steps, if you please

There have been a lot of changes at the Drayton Valley Western Review since the New Year.

With the departure of former editor Courtney Whalen, whose pleasant face is now part of Brazeau County's Administration team, and Lesley Allen, who now works for the Town of Drayton Valley, news reporter Marisa Lulla was on the verge of pulling out her long, thick locks of dark hair. Somewhere, she managed to survive her solo adventure in journalism for six solid weeks until help arrived in the form of reporter Justine Kinoshin the middle of February, followed by the arrival of new editor Cathy Westman the first week of March.

Each of these three intrepid reporters have their own unique skills and abilities, and together they make a terrific team. Marisa is the one who gets her teeth on a story and refuses to let go until she's satisfied she has all the information she needs to create a first-class news story. Justine is an extremely gifted photojournalist, whose sense of timing when taking photographs is impeccable. Cathy has a nose for hard news, and can also stand patiently for hours as a time to get that "one final photograph" or ask that one question nobody else has thought of. Not only has the staff changed,

but recently so did the ownership of the Western Review. A deal that saw PostMedia buy out Sun Media went unopposed and so we are now employees of PostMedia. Everybody is keeping their jobs, so we couldn't be happier.

We here at the Western Review would like your input as to how we can make this paper better. In this issue, we are introducing a "blast from the past" column (but we're not calling it that) dating back to 1960 which will feature stories and letters from the newspaper's archives. We would like to know what you, the readers, would like us to retrieve from the files, whether it's a photograph from the carnival or a 4-H event or a memory of some other event that you would like to see "one more time".

Is there some other type of feature you would like to see in the paper? Would you like to see more photographs or a new column? Let us know and we'll be more than happy to try to make those changes.

In the meantime, we are all taking "baby steps" to learn any new systems, procedures or technology at the paper in order to keep our readers happy.

Like most babies, we may stumble a bit along the way, but our goal is the same – to make the Western Review the best possible community newspaper this readership area has ever had.



Why downsizing increases stress

Downsizing. The dictionary defines it as "reduce in size." What it should add is "while increasing stress levels!"

Whether people are moving from a larger house to a smaller one, or apartment, (or in my case, room), coping with a storage locker or two full of "stuff" only brings out the worst in me and my family.

My son was kind enough to warn me prior to the purging of a small-sized storage unit in Fort Saskatchewan that the day was probably going to go badly and if he were at me, he'd apologize for it in advance.

Before renting a light cargo van, the dealers insisted on a \$300 cash deposit which we would get back, oh, sometime in the following three weeks if nothing was damaged.

Our first stop to the Eco-station resulted in my son getting two of his fingers crushed while trying to unload two of six ancient television sets from the van onto a dolly. This was without any assistance from the Eco station attendant.

Our next stop was at the Ikea store for a few items. We weren't there long, just long enough to find out somebody driving a vehicle with light, bluish-white paint on it backed into the cargo van, leaving a paint mark and two gouges on the black plastic rear bumper. A quick visit to the web indicated we could



Cathy's Comments
Cathy Westman

remove the paint with Goo Be Gone and a rag. (More on this later.)

With the junk now gone, there was room in the house to bring back a heavy wooden desk and a lighter wood bed frame, but we needed to first purge a small storage unit and move items to a larger unit. Since my son had crushed two fingers, it was up to me to move most of the boxes and the bags from the cargo van into the larger truck.

It did not go well. Rain was pouring down on us and we had no place to protect the boxes we had moved outside first so we could rearrange the contents of the locker's inside. Collectively we were bruised in the rain by a wheeled wardrobe rack and a box and the lights in the cargo

van when I forgot to duck – twice. Although my son used the most swear words while being injured, I took the award for the loudest yelling when I got my hand caught several times between some boxes and a wall. It stayed sore and puffy for days. We eventually made it back to Edmonton bruised, wet, tired and cranky. But we weren't done yet. The once immaculate cargo van we rented was called with mid up to the windows and we still had to remove the paint mark on the bumper, as the search for Goo Gone was on. I bought a similar product, whipped out a rag from my pocket and wiped down the paint patch. But after the paint was gone, underneath it were two small but deep scratches. Fortunately they weren't that visible and the van went back to the rental company, relatively clean and unscathed.

Stage two is to get rid of half or more of the contents from the larger storage unit, including 10 kitchen chairs in various degrees of deterioration, a few bookcases, desks, books and several bags of ill-fitting clothing that were donated to me in my larger size days.

Anyone interested? Give me a call at the office.

Letter to the editor

What does "county residents first" actually mean? Which Brazeau county residents?

An effective Council has to consider the interests of its residents as a whole. A tricky balancing act, to be sure. For example, I suspect that there are roads to be repaved in every division, but if each Councilor consistently barked only about the ones in his or her division, the result would only be a lot of useless noise. For every road that is paved or repaved, some other road is not. That is the reality when you have limited resources. So, a reasonable Council will review, discuss, and approve a long-term road plan to ensure our tax dollars are used wisely and that the needs of all residents are fairly considered.

Likewise, there are many Brazeau county residents who are not offended by cost sharing initiatives with the Town of Drayton Valley, and our wishes and concerns should be respected and given consideration, too. A strong and vibrant town with amenities and services that enhance quality of life makes it more attractive to make our homes here.

Maybe some of the county residents in residential subdivisions abutting town boundaries should push for annexation to the Town of Drayton Valley, so that at least our tax dollars directly fund services we use. Somehow, I suspect that this would not satisfy the malcontents either, and there would be a bus and cry over land being handed over to the Town on a silver platter.

I think most reasonable people would con-

cede that ALL County residents utilize services based in cities, towns, and/or villages at some time or another over the course of any given year. Unless you are setting your own broken timbers, filling your own covenants, and weaving your own broadcloth, chances are your quality of life depends on the services available to you in neighboring urban centers. Perhaps you do not patronize the Eleanor Arts Pickup Center or the DV Pool, but your doctor, your dentist, or your children's teacher might. If you never come to Drayton Valley for any reason, perhaps your closest urban center is situated in another county and the boundaries of this county should be redrawn. That way, when "your" tax revenues are shared with that urban municipality, it might be easier for you to swallow.

I am concerned about the long-term implications of such a severe reduction in the tax rate, but I am more concerned about how it may have come about. To me, it is alarming that everything that seven reasonable and intelligent duly elected officials had accomplished over months of planning and discussion could be undone and run off the rails in a few short weeks. I was not at the Council meeting, but from the newspaper accounts I have read, it seems to be about as far removed from pulling together as you can get. It may be a bump in the road, but at the very least, if the Arts Centre fails, I can get my fair share of theatrics and drama through regular attendance at Council meetings.

Wendy Nickle
Brazeau County

I am a long time county resident

I have always voted in municipal elections. I do not always like the election results and I do not always like the decisions made by the duly elected officials. My family has used facilities in town such as the pool, the arena, the library, the ball diamonds, the soccer diamonds, and now the Eleanor Arts Pickup Arts Centre. I have to say I am 100% in agreement with the decision of county council to contribute approximately \$400,000 for 50% ownership of the EPAC. I believe regardless of where I live – town or county – I am a member of the same community and I am glad some of my tax money is going to support a facility that opens doors for so many of us. This great facility lets us celebrate arts in many different ways. Good job council! I hope I will be as happy with your future decisions.

Brenda Cartwright
Brazeau County

CLARIFICATION

In the Apr. 14 edition of the Western Review, *County is listening via citizen budget* on pg. 12 doesn't specify citizen budget is available through paper/hard cop-

ies. It will be mailed out in tax notices as stated in the last Brazeau County council meeting.

With regard to the front page photograph in last

week's Western Review, the cutline should have read – "the club's breakfast held every second Sunday of the month." We apologize for the omission.

CORRECTION

There was a correction regarding the Letter to the Editor written by

Eva Mills. She resides in the Poplar Ridge Trailer Court, not Breton as

stated. We apologize for the error.

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News

McQueen is busy campaigning

Another run for the MLA position

Shirley Latta
Shirley Latta

Diana McQueen's friendly face is etched in the hearts of many residents in the Drayton Valley/Braceau County area, and now so are her signature campaign buttons.

Alberta is going to the polls on May 5 after Progressive Conservative Leader Jim Prentice called for an election recently.

PC candidate and incumbent Diana McQueen is running to secure her MLA spot for Drayton Valley and Devon against Wild Rose Wildrose party candidate Mark Smith.

"I have been the MLA for Drayton Valley-Devon since 2008, when I was first elected. In that time, I have served as minister of the environment, sus-

tainable resources, minister of energy and minister of municipal affairs," said McQueen.

She is busy campaigning which includes door knocking and attending various community events. Up until last week, she had hit about 3,000 doors with a goal of 10,000 before the election.

"Just so I can go and talk to people face to face myself, and hear any ideas that they have and any concerns that they have. It gives me a chance to really help, if elected, know what are the things that I need to achieve for the constituency," she said.

So far, in her constituency, particularly in Drayton Valley and Braceau area, she has been hearing about infrastructure development.

"Infrastructure is really important in regards to highway, roads, in Hwy. 621, 725 and then Hwy. 22 going towards Evansburg and overlays on all of those

are really important to people and ones that I am working on already as the MLA," she said.

She also wants to focus on seniors.

"We are doing an addition of another 38 beds in Windfield, for a seniors lodge. That's a few million dollars because we will be doing these right away, putting them out for tender. In the Devon area we are working for a new seniors facility as well," she said.

When asked why people should vote for her, she talks about her broad portfolio, from working on the town council, serving as a councillor and a mayor and serving as a trustee on the local school board.

"I work very, very hard. I think I have proven that in the last few years as I have been [the] MLA. I have been dedicated and very passionate. I like to help my constituents on their individual issues and

then certainly community groups and organizations and municipality on the priorities that are important to them. I think I have proven that leadership in working very hard," said McQueen.

When it comes to the budget that was released recently from the PC Party, she said they have been careful to keep taxes low in all categories.

"As we brought the budget forward, the \$7 billion dollar in lost oil revenue, when we looked at the last tax adjustment, in every category we would remain the lowest, in every tax category," she said.

She thanks her volunteers and supporters and the people who invite her to their community events.

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Mayor's Gala to recognize people..

Nominate deserving individuals, groups

Shirley Latta
Shirley Latta

It's that time of year again.

The Town of Drayton Valley would like citizen input as to who will be this year's Community Builders. The names of individuals, businesses, groups or organizations who have made a difference in the community will be announced at the Mayor's Gala on September 17.

People, groups or businesses may be nominated for five award categories. Corporate Service Award for a local business or corporation that has helped to make a difference in the community. Tell why they

should be nominated. Community Spirit Award - Residents who nominate an individual or organization that has shown community spirit and the difference they made. Residents should also explain why they should be recognized.

Humanitarian Award - Nominations will be received for an individual or organization that has done something to make a difference in the life of another individual or organization. Again, say why they should be recognized.

Youth Empowerment Award - Residents can nominate a youth or youth organization which has made a difference in the community or has acted as a role model for others, explaining why they should be recognized. New Community Organization Award - Residents

can nominate a new organization that has been created by volunteers or is making a difference in the community, and why they should be recognized.

Additional information such as a biography, photograph or an endorsement can also be added to the nomination form.

All nominations received will be reviewed by a selection committee, which will evaluate the nominations based on the information submitted. During this evaluation, a score will be given to each nominee and the top two to three nominees will be submitted to the Mayor, who will make the final selection.

Nomination forms can be dropped off at the town office or mailed to Box 6837, 510 - 52nd

Street, Drayton Valley. Award recipients will be recognized at the Mayor's Gala on September 17.

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News

Justin Kilmolen
Western Review

This summer, Aim for Success once again holds camps for boys and girls in Grades 5, 6 and 7. This year is going to be the 7th annual girls camp and the 4th annual boys camp. The camps will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. from July 6 to 9 for girls and from July 12 to 15 for boys.

Chris Lees, Aim for Success Project Coordinator, said the camps focus on three main areas: help support the transition to junior high, develop social skills, and expose young people to new activities and natural areas in their local community.

"Our camps very much focus on deliberately targeting kids currently in Grades 5 to 7 and we really try to develop a real positive interrelationship with young students so that they can kind of build a strong network of young people their age who they will be going to junior high school with and they kind of start to broaden their network," he said.

Max Centre 2015/16 concert series released

Justin Kilmolen
Western Review

Six big shows are coming to the Max Centre from May 2015 to April 2016, five of which are dinner shows.

The Canadian Country Music Legends in Concert will kick start the year on May 2. Some of the artists who are going to be a part of this are Joyce Smith, Bev Munro, and Pete Hicks.

"In May, we have two big shows. To start off, we have the Canadian Country Music Legends," said Ray Mann, events manager. "It's a big show with all of these legends of country music in Canada. A lot of these folks actually work with CCMW and is a very popular dinner show."

The Canadian Country Music Legends in Concert will be followed by a live show by comedian Jeremy the Justice.

"The Maritime's biggest comic, Jimmy the Justice, is going to be here doing a straight comedy show on May 22," Mann said. "He is actually a radio announcer in Prince Edward Island and he has been in CCMW and Comedy Network. His show is very popular. Last time he was here, it was sold out. It is good, clean comedy. He is pretty well-known across the country."

Tickets for these two shows are available at the Max Centre and at the White Bull Café. Mann is also proud to announce that the 2015-16 season concert series at the centre has

been released. All of which are dinner shows. The first show will be on Oct. 17 with Canadian pop and folk artist Vicky, followed in 2016 by the Carolines on Feb. 20, Trevor Panizko on March 5, and Going to Grassland on April 30.

"The other big thing now is that we have released our next season concert series starting with folk singer Vicky that has been Canadian pop idol for years and years and years," he said. "And then a couple country shows with the Carolines with three girls from Southern Alberta that do fabulous harmonies and Trevor Panizko, big old cowboy. He has been here before and did a really good country show. Then the fourth show is a group of artists from Edmonton that do a tribute to Paul Simon's Grassland album."

Locals are encouraged to come out to the shows to have fun while supporting the community.

"The majority of what we do is dinner theatre. It is close up, it is intimate," Mann said. "It is a dinner show, you get a great buffet dinner, you get a ticket, and you do not have to drive to Edmonton. You are saving on gas. You are saving on a whole bunch of things by supporting the local community."

A ticket for a single dinner show is \$59. A package deal for all four dinner shows is priced at \$199.95. Tickets are available at the Max Centre or contact Ray Mann at (780) 898-1707. For more information, find the Max Centre on Facebook.

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"The boys are going to do some survival training where they learn how to survive in the wilderness while the girls are going to be doing some more kind of craft and building self-esteem programs," Lees said. "And then both camps, at the end of the day, go to Edmonton where they kind of get a day to have fun and build relationships with each other."

Based on feedback from previous camps, Aim for Success has decided to keep the structure of the camps the same with a few changes.

"We have had so much positive feedback from last year's camp that we have kind of kept it the same as last year," Lees said. "The new thing with the girls this year is that they will actually be doing the canoeing thing."

Lees said one of the objectives of the camp is to show the youth how important it is to be an active member of the Drayton Valley community.

"It is really important that youth are engaged and are active part in the community. We really want to ensure that young people may in Drayton Valley so that they can build positive relationships with each other," he said. "But also that they can find activities and interest groups that they want to be a part of within their community."

The camps also aim to help the youth learn new skills that are not learned in a school setting.

Working on a lot of their leadership skills and working on teamwork and tolerance and other skills that young people really need but are not always directly taught," Lees said. "Programs like this are really essential for young people to have a really good time but they also learn lots of skills and come out at the end of summer with new relationships and feel stronger emotionally and have a stronger support system going in to junior high school."

Camps are open to everyone and subsidies are available to anyone in need. "It is \$100 for the full fee, but there is a subsidy program for individuals where the amount is a challenge," Lees said. "We want to ensure that all young people can access the camps regardless of their current situation."

Registrations opened on April 1 and spots fill quickly. To find out if there are any more spots left or for more information, visit www.aimforsuccess.com.

Girls and boys camp is back in town

Justin Kilmolen
Western Review

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News

Students get a green thumbs up

► Aurora Elementary is involving students in their 'green' plans

Mamta Lalita
Western Review

Grade one students at Aurora can not only tell you what goes on in their classroom, but also what grows in their classrooms.

Indoor gardens are part of the three Grade one classrooms together part of the Growing Hope project that helps students understand how the 'fruits' of their garden contribute to the Drayton Valley community.

"Through this project the students

will be gaining an understanding of the needs of plants, how seasons in climate affect the growth of plants, understanding the benefits of growing food locally, nutrition, environmental stewardship, and how they can make a difference by contributing to the wellness of our community," said Aurora Elementary School teacher Krista Roy.

Everything in the indoor garden is edible from tomatoes to basil and peppers.

"That isn't all, as the school has garden plans for the outdoors as well. Last fall, phase one of the project was completed, which involved planting an edible garden alongside the front of the school. Various apple trees and native edible shrubs were planted with more plants to be added during spring.

"How it all started was for children

to realize and have more awareness of outside, know where their food comes from and that was the plan for edible forest outside and bringing it back hands-on with kids in the classroom and making that connection of understanding that we need the plants and animals, which is part of our Grade 1 curriculum," said Roy.

Although, indoor projects relate to Grade one curriculum, outdoor projects have the entire school involved.

Phase three includes developing a wetland habitat in the back of the school.

"To develop the back area as well to maybe perhaps have a walking path, plant more trees, have an area more for the whole community, not just the school. But we haven't finalized anything yet," said Roy.

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From left to right: Drayton Valley Mayor Jason McLean; Holy Trinity High School success stories, Ryan Bergerson, Health Internship 2014 and Kaylen Thompson, Health Internship 2014; Diana McQueen, MJA Drayton Valley-Devon; Keynote Speaker Eric Newell; Breckenridge County Representative Bart Drayton; Frank Maddock High School success stories, Shayla Cox, HAP student, Ted Smith-Wedding and Andrew Boultter, Power Engineering student, NAIT gathered at Earn Business Breakfast last week.

News

Project in Nicaragua ends

► Nicaragua gets a park

Mamta Lalita
Western Review

Down south, in Nicaragua is a park that has Drayton Valley and Canadian government signage.

"Their signage within the park has our town logo, it has FCM logo and it has Canada government logo so everywhere you go in the park, you will see the Town of Drayton Valley logo," said assistant town manager Neeson Naidoo.

The logo are a result of a successful project coming to an end. For three years, the Town of Drayton Valley has been working closely with Matagalpa in Nicaragua.

The program is run by Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM).

"The program means the municipality just has to provide the personnel to go over there and work

with the community, all flights and accommodation is paid for. The only part of municipality is having the personnel to go and serve there," said Naidoo who has been there himself.

Missions were run twice a year, with representations coming to Drayton Valley as well.

"We brought our skills to them and help them use those skills and learn those skills in order to develop their park," said Naidoo.

All the work went towards developing El Arenal Park, a natural reserve similar to a national park. The project is going to go down in history with imprints of Drayton Valley.

"We are part of their history because the development of this park will go down in history as being a partnership between Drayton Valley, FCM, Government of Canada and Matagalpa," said Naidoo.

Both communities have shared knowledge and learned from each other.

"We learned spirit of community partnership. We learned the strength that comes from working with people who are dedicated, and committed, and if you really want to achieve something and you can do it not only with money, but with genuineness and the passion of wanting to do it in and engaging people," said Naidoo.

The park will help Nicaragua attract tourism which may help the economic climate of the country.

"With farming [around the same park] they weren't as successful yet and they didn't make lot of money. Now they can provide tourism," said Naidoo.

The program has been part of Drayton Valley for more than 15 years, with previous councils involved in Africa, before choosing Nicaragua.

"This was a very, very successful program. We came back from the last mission having seen the fruits of our efforts in terms of helping them develop an eco-tourism park," said Naidoo.



Photo submitted

Town of Drayton Valley was involved with Matagalpa in Nicaragua providing skills to develop a park there. The project came to an end recently, after continuing for three years. Signs of the Canadian government and the Town of Drayton Valley (right) are visible throughout the park.

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Justine Kinnison
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On April 13 at approximately 2 p.m., the fire department responded to a motor vehicle collision on Highway 39 and Range Road 61. A propane tank truck rolled over the ditch and was leaking diesel. The fire crew cleaned it up.

RESIDENTIAL ALARM
The fire department

was called to a residence on April 8 at 3:30 p.m. An individual burnt something on their stove that set off the alarm.

BALES ON FIRE
On April 9 at 10 p.m., fire department were called to report five bales on fire located on Township 502 and Range Road 65. The case is still under investigation.

GRASS FIRE
Station 2 in Breton was called on April 11 at 12:30

p.m. due to a grass fire. The grass fire was a result of a burning barrel.

The fire department responded to another grass fire on April 12 at 1:30 p.m. in the Lodgepole area. The grass fire was caused by a tree falling on a powerline.

On April 13 at 5 p.m., the fire department were called to the Poplar Ridge Trailer Park for a grass fire. An individual was burning cardboard in the

fire pit and it blew onto the neighbour's property which resulted in the grass catching fire.

COMMERCIAL ALARM
A commercial building was being cleaned, including the detectors, that resulted in the fire alarm being set off on April 13 at 9 a.m.

SHOOTING FIRE
On April 11 at 9:30 p.m., the fire department responded in the Northview Pond area for a sus-

picious fire. It was found that there were young children that hit a small fire in the bush area.

FALSE ALARM
The fire department received a call on April 14, at 6:30 p.m. The address is not located in town and was found out that the address is located in Violet Grove. Fortunately, it was just a false alarm.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT
The fire department

issued a fire advisory for the Drayton Valley and Brazeau County areas. The fire department notifies the public that there is a fire hazard in the area. Under this fire advisory, locals are reminded that the use of approved fire pits is still allowed. Locals are also able to burn provided they have a fire permit and follows the conditions set out in the fire permit.

Vandalism on 50 street in town

Justine Kinnison
Western Review

RCMP received three complaints regarding vandalism on cars on 50 Street on April 11 at 2 p.m. The suspect used a felt pen and vandalized a few vehicles in town. RCMP is still looking for a suspect and asks the public to come forward with any information.

THEFT
An individual put \$11 worth of gas at a local gas station and drove away without paying. The same individual was reported to have done the same thing last month. The report was received by the RCMP on April 10 at 1:30 p.m. RCMP was notified of the person's name and is still currently investigating.

A white Ford F350 truck was reported stolen on April 10 at 6:15 p.m. The truck was stolen on 45 Avenue in town after the keys were left in the vehicle.

Edmonton police recovered the truck in Edmonton. RCMP reminds everyone to not leave their car keys in their vehicles.

On April 11 at 11 a.m., RCMP received a call of a 2008 red Ford truck in Tomahawk being damaged and items inside the vehicle being stolen. RCMP asks the public for any information regarding this.

A company vehicle parked on 50 Avenue in town was entered on April 13 at 11 a.m. Work boots, jeans, clothes and gloves were stolen from the vehicle.

A 2014 Ford F150 was reported stolen on April 14 at 6:30 a.m. RCMP is still searching for the truck.

A Dodge truck on 56 Street was broken into on April 14 at 8 a.m. Items such as auxiliary cables and tool box were stolen from the vehicle. RCMP reminds the public to not leave anything visible in vehicles that may attract someone from stealing from the vehicles.

A truck parked on 48 Avenue was broken into on April 14 at 8:15 p.m. The suspect stole the garage opener, opened the garage door, and stole stereo equipment worth approximately \$1,000.

IMPAIRED DRIVING
On April 11 at 3 a.m., RCMP received a complaint of a drunk driver. RCMP was able to locate the vehicle and pulled it over. The driver of the vehicle blew over 0.05 BAC and his vehicle was seized for three days in addition to his license being confiscated. RCMP reminds everyone to not drink and drive. If a person blows over 0.08 BAC, the person will be criminally charged.

Another impaired driver was pulled over on April 11 at around midnight. RCMP pulled over a vehicle on 56 Avenue. The driver blew over the legal limit. The driver was arrested, charged, and released to go to court.

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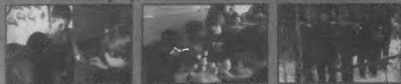
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Justine Kimoden Western Review

From April 16 to 18, the Frank Maddock High School's Advanced Acting Class performed Peter Pan at the Max Centre.

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Justine Kimoden Western Review

Colorado students wear their favourite jersey to school on April 16. Pictured from top to bottom and left to right are Grade 1 students Madison Furay, Autumn Bradley, Kaydena Jussling, William Campbell, Trea Jabs, Annela LaChenue, Alissa Plaguta, and Brandt Leeson.

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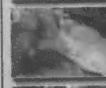
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Brazeau Gymnastics Club busy

Club holds sessions for gymnasts before competitions start

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

Brazeau Gymnastics Club is holding a shortened session for pre-competitive gymnasts at the Whitty Community Hall northeast of Drayton Valley.

The session began on April 16 with registration day, and will run from April 27 to June 22, and will conclude with a parents show.

"This will be an eight week session. We usually run them for 12 weeks," said Melanie Smith, President of the Brazeau Gymnastics Club. "Participants are going to take the skills they've been learning and put them to music. Some will do an actual floor routine, and some will be doing a beam routine, so their parents can come and watch the show. We are excited to see what these little kids can do, and we will have upbeat music so the parents can stomp their feet in time to the music."

Smith added participants train in one of three groups. The rhythm gymnastics group practice two to three times a week; pre-competition gymnasts meet twice and the recreational gymnasts meet once a week.

Jo Stuckenberg, club board member, mentor and coach,

said the Brazeau Gymnastics Club is now in its second year. Some of the equipment was donated by the Warburg Kodiak Gymnastics Club when it closed down and some of the pre-school equipment was paid for by fundraising.

"We hold a Gym-a-thon every year at the end of March to raise money, and all of the recreational kids went to Whitecourt, and we had the Whitecourt kids down here for two events. All the Whitecourt kids had a blast," said Stuckenberg.

Since forming a year ago, children are divided into different groups, explained Stuckenberg.

"We have a Parents and Tots class, a Toddlers class for two, three, four and five year-olds, a recreation program called CanGym that's based on a badge system for both boys and girls, a Teen class for different abilities and they work for dog tags. We've only just started a Pre-competition group that's for eight years and up and we're also starting a group for six-year-olds and up, so we are desperately seeking a pre-school coach," added Stuckenberg.

"We have a well-rounded group of coaches. We all belong to the Alberta Gymnastics Federation so we're fully insured, and our coaches are all certified and insured."

As well as the parents show on June 22, the group of pre-competition gymnasts will be attending a fun meet, called a Luan Meet, in St. Albert on May 23.



Cathy Weetman Western Review

Gymnast Janelle Carpenter practices her vaulting on a specialized piece of equipment used by the Brazeau Gymnastics Club at the Whitty Hall. The members are practicing for an upcoming meet in St. Albert.



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School Notebook

ST. ANTHONY
 Parents: This present St. Anthony's and our Grades 1-6, of course, will be performed at festival on April 13th. They were awarded Gold and Silver trophies.

Young women: True, I remember you had your 12th birthday on April 1st. In collecting money for the St. Anthony's, instead of once again from the St. Anthony's, what I would like to see is a gift for his birthday. He played for his "hooky lock" and donate his hair at the St. Anthony's. This money will be added to the other donations. This is collecting with all of the proceeds going directly to the Drayton Valley Cancer Centre. This will be the 4th time that has raised money and shaved his locks off for the bi-annual St. Anthony's, which started in 2009. After Tavin shaved off his "hooky lock", they will be in a place in British Columbia that will take the hair and make specialty wigs that are free of charge for Canadian children (up to age 19) who have lost their hair due to cancer treatments.

P.A.T.s are just around the corner. Wednesday, May 13 Grade 6 English PA1, Part A, Wednesday, June 17 Grade 6 English PA1, Part B, Thursday, June 18 Grade 6 Math PA1, Friday, June 19 Grade 6 Science PA1, Monday, June 22 Grade 6 Social PA1.

We are accepting registrations for Preschool - Grade 6. Registrations and forms are available in the office or at www.stanthony.ca.

If your child/children are currently enrolled at St. Anthony School in Kin. deparan - Grade 6, you do not need to register them again. Please make sure all information is up-to-date. Kinder garden students must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2015. Preschool students must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2015.

If you have any questions please feel free to drop by or call the office 780-542-4366.

I am hoping that you are able to lend a hand by making a difference for people with cancer in the Drayton Valley community.

Because cancer has touched my life and many others, I wanted to help those in our community receive local care so I started the bi-annual Shave to Save in 2009, making sure that ALL donations went directly to the Drayton Valley Cancer Centre. To date this event has raised over \$42,000.00 for the Drayton Valley Cancer Centre. I am excited to announce that staff and students of St. Anthony's have pledged (and the more students they pledge, the more money they raise). After our first fundraiser, I will be giving out a \$10,000.00 in pledges (and the more students they pledge, the more money they raise).

Half donations will be going to a place in British Columbia that will make the donated hair (only 6" needed and

can be colored or gray) and make specialty wigs that are free of charge for Canadian children (up to age 19) who have lost their hair due to cancer treatments. What a wonderful cause! I will make sure that the money raised will go to the Drayton Valley Cancer Centre. I will make sure that the money raised will go to the Drayton Valley Cancer Centre.

You, I hope, will be proud to see that you have your head to shave. It is my hope that you will consider playing an active role in what is a very successful Shave to Save.

The Alberta Cancer Foundation will award a prize to the student who collects the most pledges. Any support you can provide will be greatly appreciated and all donations of \$15.00 or more are tax deductible. If you would like to make a donation on line please visit <http://alterta.org/casave> to have 2015 or contact me at St. Anthony School 780-542-4366 or jean.lucassen@stanthony.ca.

You may also contact Amber Williams of the Alberta Cancer Foundation P. 780-432-8867 or email ambers.williams@alberta.ca. Should you require further information about this important event, please have all forms and money handed in to me at the school office, no later than June 19th, 2015.

Thank you for your consideration and we sincerely hope we can count on your support to "Pull Together" by helping those in our community who are facing cancer today, and honor those individuals we have lost to cancer and who may continue to have to deal with this horrible disease in their generations.

All Done in His Name, Kerrie Ann Lucassen, St. Anthony School Shave to Save Event Coordinator

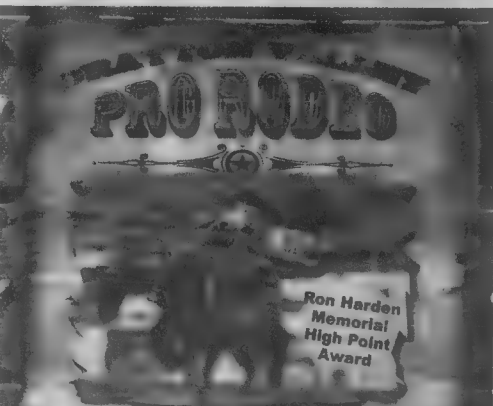
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News from the Shark Tank: Anchors are preparing for the Provincial Tournament in Drayton Valley, April 17th & 18th. Anchors games: PTASL ONLY enter the school through the doors closest to the gym, they will be unlocked at 4:30 and you are welcome to quietly and positively watch the last 15 minutes of practice. Running club will continue to practice Monday's after school. Backstroke is underway Monday & Wednesday will be grades 7/8 (Monday @ 4:30, Wednesday night after school). Tuesday will be for grade 6 (right after school). The final tournament will be April 27th.

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Administrative Professionals Day is an observance but it is not a public holiday in either Canada or the United States.

History of Administrative Professional

During World War II, there was an increased need for skilled administrative personnel, particularly in the United States. The National Secretaries Association was formed to recognize the contributions of secretaries and other administrative personnel to the economy, to support their personal development and to help attract people to administrative careers in the field. The association's name was changed to Professional Secretaries International in 1981 and, finally, the International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP) in 1998.

These changes in name reflected the changing nature of the tasks, qualifications and responsibilities of the members of the organization. IAAP now has an international orientation and continues to provide education and training and set standards of excellence recognized by the business community on a global perspective. The organization's vision is "to inspire and equip all administrative professionals to attain excellence".

The first National Secretaries Week was organized in 1952 in conjunction with the United States Department of Commerce and various office sup-

ply and equipment manufacturers. The Wednesday of that week became known as National Secretaries Day. As the organization gained international recognition, the events became known as Professional Secretaries Week and Professional Secretaries Day. In 2000, IAAP announced that names of the week and the day were changed to Administrative Professionals Week and Administrative Professionals Day to keep pace with changing job titles and expanding responsibilities of the modern administrative workforce. Many events across the world observe this event.

History of Administrative Professionals Week

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The idea began with Mary Barrett, president of the National Secretaries Association, now called IAAP (International Association of Administrative Professionals), and C. King Woodbridge, president of Dictaphone Corporation. They served on a council addressing a national shortage of skilled office workers. The account executive at Young & Rubicam originated the idea for a National Secretaries Week.

The official period of celebration was that proclaimed by U.S. Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer as "National Secretaries Week", which was held June 1-7 in 1952, with Wednesday, June 4, 1952 designated as National Secretaries Day. The first Secretaries Day was sponsored by the National Secretaries Association with the support of corporate groups.

In 1953, the observance date of National Secretaries Week was moved to the last full week of April. The name was changed to Professional Secretaries Week in 1981, and became Administrative Professionals Week in

2000 to encompass the expanding responsibilities and wide-ranging job titles of administrative support staff. IAAP created National Secretaries Week (now Administrative Professionals Week) with two objectives in mind: to recognize "the secretary, upon whose skills, loyalty, and efficiency the functions of business and government offices depend", and to call attention "through favorable publicity, to the tremendous potential of the secretarial career".

Modern celebration: Over the years, Administrative Professionals Week has become one of the largest workplace observances. The event is celebrated worldwide through community events, social gatherings, and individual corporate activities recognizing support staff with gifts, in Canada and the United States, the day is often celebrated by giving one's assistance gifts such as flowers, candy, trinkets, lunch at a restaurant, gift cards, or time off. The IAAP suggests that employees support the holiday by providing training opportunities for their administrative staff through continuing education, self-study materials or seminars.

Administrative Professionals Day is a registered trademark with registration number 2,475,334 (serial number 75,988,000). The registration is in the International Association of Administrative Professionals.

In the United States there are more than 4.1 million Administrative Assistants, and in Canada, 475,000.

The first Certified Professional Secretary examination was administered in August 1961. There were 281 candidates at 15 examination centers. Today there are more than 250 exam centres worldwide to become a certified administrative professional.

National Secretaries Week (Renamed Administrative Professionals Week in 2000) originated in 1952. It is observed the last full week in April with Wednesday now designated as Administrative Professionals Day.

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May 15th - 11:00-12:00 Mrs. Mallory's Gr. 1/2 class swimming.

Key for up to class members

HLW PICKUP

Without notice, we will send the end of the school year, deadlines are approaching! All grade 9 students, please remember to submit your final work to the office as soon as possible. There is only about a month left of all this celebration, and we would like to know the numbers of people in attendance so we can organize everything to the best of our ability. These are due on Thursday, April 30th at the very latest.

We would like to give a big shout out to the HWP Pickup staff and students who will be participating in our annual Spring Fling Talent Show. It was nice to see all of the talent we have here at HWP. Also, a big thank you to Mr. Doerflinger for organizing all of the events and putting the show together. We would not have been able to run the show without your help. Good luck to students who are competing in Archery Provincials this Thursday, April 23rd. Your hard work at practice will pay off.

Girls' rugby has begun at HWP. Please see Mr. Dooks or Mrs. Goshue for practice times.

Reminds, there is no school next Friday, May 1st for students.

ELIDORADO
Elidorado had a very quiet week last week. Not too much going on. We had a special visit from Wild Rose trustees. Some of our children participated in the annual Kinsmen Festival.

Elidorado's running club and pedal head club are up and running or shall we say rolling along. Congratulations and good job to all the students who participated in the Kinsmen festival this year. They've been working very hard on their poems and songs. List of events etc... To come later.

Thank you to all the staff and parents who helped make all of this possible.

What's going on?
May 4th - Elidorado Week
May 5th - Volunteer Time
May 7th - Back to the Books

TOMAHAWK
Thank you to everyone who supported the Grade 9 Super and 50th Auction which was held April 11th at the Whistly Hall. Your tremendous support, no matter how large or small, was truly appreciated.

Students in Grade 4-9 are eager to participate in the NASP Provincial Archery Competition which will be held at the Drayton Valley Olympics on April 23rd. Please come cheer on our students!

Grade 8 "It's Cool" Camp - All our Grade 8 students will be going to Camp He Ho Ho overnight to cover parts of the Grade 8 Human Sexuality Unit on April 20th-21st. A parent information night will be held at our school next Tuesday, April 14th @ 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Private S-Pool students will also be in class.

Kindergarten classes have been cancelled for Friday, April 24th.

Please join us April 28th at 7:00pm

for our first "Spring Concert" Everyone is welcome to attend

Tomahawk School is excited to announce that we will be hosting Pick Land School Division's Visual Arts Education from April 25 through May 1st. Student artwork from all the schools in the division will be on exhibit. Come check out the creative, artistic talent! More details will follow.

The Alberta Health Services Dental team will be at Tomahawk School on Wednesday, April 29th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to offer free fluoride treatments to 1 and 2 year old children (with a birthday between April 29, 2012 and April 28, 2014).

A dental hygiene visit. Look at your child's teeth using a light and dental mirror. (This does not

replace a check-up at the dentist.)

Use a tiny brush to paint fluoride, which is in a sticky gel, on your child's teeth. This is a walk-in clinic. No appointment is necessary. A parent must be present to give consent. If your child is allergic to colophony, they cannot have this fluoride. If your child has asthma, they must have their rescue medication with them.

Registrations are currently being accepted for the 2015/16 school year. Registration forms are available at the school office and will be accepted at any time. To ensure Kindergarten in September, your child must be five (5) years of age by the last day of February 2016. To register please bring your child's birth certificate or passport, Alberta Health Care card (number) and your rural

address. Please share this information with your friends and neighbors if they have Kindergarten-aged children.

Call Mrs. Nicholson or Mrs. Gruber at 780-336-3935 if you require further information.

Please check out our Facebook page and read the Tomahawk Telegraph newsletter for further information about what is happening at Tomahawk School.

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News

New fundraiser to shake up town

Cathy Weetman
Bismillah House

Get ready, residents of Drayton Valley... There's going to be some shaking going on in the not too distant future.

Lack Hamilton, President of the Humans Helping Humans Foundation, said at the group's annual general meeting held April 15, members voted in favour of holding a fundraising event called "Shakin' in Drayton" which will be a dancing with the Stars type event.

"The big reveal as to who the participants will be will take place at Rotary House on June 3 at 7 p.m. Everybody is welcome to attend. The 'Shakin' in Drayton' event itself will be held December 5," said Hamilton. "It's going to be a gala event and this year we will select a different charity to give the money to."

He added HHHF held a hockey tournament as a fundraiser last year with the proceeds going toward a CT scanner for the hospital.

Meanwhile, preparations for the new displays build are continuing along nicely.

"We are going to start our build soon. We have to apply for a construction permit and a new home warranty. When that's done, we're going to start building," said Hamilton.

The selection process for the display's residents is underway. Applications are still open until the end of May. Application forms are still available throughout town, including Rotary House, Early Child Development Centre, Norquest College and Parents Link.

"We have received some applications, but we'd like to see that number grow, added Hamilton.

For more information, go to the HHHF Facebook page.

CAUSE FOR CRITTERS PET OF THE WEEK

Guinevere is a lady full of love! Her appearance may be surprising at first glance (she has lost an ear - likely due to frostbite), but this will be quickly forgotten in her quest to have you fall in love with her - which is not hard to do! From her super smooth fur to her genuine purr, what's not to love? Guinevere is also polydactyl (she has extra toes). You can meet her at the Cause for Critters animal shelter, where you can also find Lancelot. Bay 93-5450-5521, www.causeforcritters.ca, or 780-898-7207

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Out of Africa, black rhinos and Brazeau County and Drayton Valley

Why do I want to talk about Out of Africa, black rhinos and Brazeau County and Drayton Valley? I know it seems weird. Let me explain.

In my role with the Eagle Point and Blue Rapids Parks Council I was recently on Big West Country 92.9 FM radio talking about cougars among other topics. I mentioned how they are expanding their range in Alberta and use the Eagle Point and Blue Rapids parks along the North Saskatchewan River valley as a migration corridor, moving east from the Eastern Slopes. And I mentioned that there are minimal but increasing interactions between cougars and humans and their domesticated animals.

After the radio show something was nagging away at me. For some reason I remembered a business trip I took just over a year ago to Africa, specifically to the capital city of Kenya, Nairobi. I took a one-day excursion into Nairobi National Park which is immediately adjacent to Nairobi and its 3.2 million residents. And by immediately adjacent I mean that city apartments were adjacent to the 3 metre electric fence that surrounded the park.

What I day! At just over 100 square kilometres, the park still contains an incredible assortment of large mammals: baboons, zebras, cheetahs, gazelles, hippos, lions, leopards and ostriches. AND a family of black rhinoceroses walked out of the brush just in front of my sighted open van. This critically endangered species can weigh up to 2,700 kg



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ograms, or about fourteen times more than Alberta cougars and six times more than Alberta grizzlies. Their horns alone can reach more than one-half the length of a cougar. Unfortunately, from a population of several hundred thousand in 1900, there are perhaps only 4,000 left.

Almost one hundred years ago, Karen Bilsen lived very close to this park, before it became a park. She is the author of Out of Africa, a wonderful book which was subsequently made into a popular movie in 1985 starring Robert Redford and Meryl Streep. At that time, the nomadic Masai lived and herded their cattle amongst the wildlife. I highly recommend seeing the movie to get a sense of what the place was like.

The park has changed a lot since Karen Bilsen would ride horses through the park with her lover, Denis Finch-Hatton. When the family of rhinoceroses came out of the brush in front of me, you can imagine the thrill. But before my heart palpitations diminished, loud rifle shots rang out. The rhino sauntered back into the brush, the gazelles sprinted away

and the baboons in the trees screamed and fled. Nothing was killed that I could see. The guide told me that this is a common event as people in the adjacent apartments would shoot from their windows and balconies at anything.

My recent reminder of this trip was triggered by my radio talk a couple of weeks ago. I think the link in my head is this:

Sixty percent of Brazeau County is public land and most of this is still in a wild state. In addition, the entire publicly-owned Eastern Slopes is adjacent to the west. We have the internationally significant North Saskatchewan River valley, the lovely Pembina River, many scattered parcels of provincially protected natural areas, numerous streams and small valleys, and the 60 kilometre stretch of Eagle Point Park and Blue Rapids Provincial Recreation Area. Ya gotta love this place, especially if you love wildlife and wild, open spaces. Loving it is, of course, not enough. It has to be looked after, stewarded, conserved, and treasured.

Kenya are doing pretty good in protecting Nairobi National Park, but the enormous and growing human threats are ominous. Brazeau County and Drayton Valley, with its 15,000 residents and 1,800 square kilometres of publicly-owned green spaces, has a gift and an incredible opportunity to look after this gift.

Peter Lee is the Executive Director for the Eagle Point and Blue Rapids Parks Council. Visit them online at www.ehnparks.council.ca

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News

Edmonton's archbishop visits local Catholic schools

Special to the Western Review

A special guest visited two schools in town. On April 16, Archbishop Richard Smith came to Grayton Valley to visit St. Anthony School and Holy Trinity Academy.

Mark Basaraba, Holy Trinity Academy principal, said the Archbishop made a commitment to connect with students from all Catholic schools in the Edmonton archdiocese.

"He is currently the Archbishop of Edmonton and he has made it his mission over the period of two years to visit every school within his diocese," he said. "The intent of this program is he really wants to speak with the students. He wants to come into the school to meet the staff and to meet the students and answer questions that any of the students have

with regards to any issues around faith or any other issues that matter."

Holy Trinity Academy students made preparations for the archbishop's visit.

"Two students gave him a tour at about 12:45 p.m. and then after the tour, he visited four classrooms for about half an hour at least and then at the very end, we gave him a gift from the school which is a picture," Basaraba said. "We made an image of the cross with students and we did it in our gym. We took a picture and we presented that to him and then asked for his blessing before he left."

Basaraba said this is not the first time the Archbishop was in town to visit Holy Trinity Academy.

"He came here when we first opened up our school for the official blessing in 2009 but it was more of a religious and pastoral ceremony more than vis-

iting," he said. "This time, he came to really engage with the students."

A visit from the Archbishop is something that Basaraba finds important for the school.

"Just reason would be because he is the leader of our faith," he said. "Secondly, I think there are a lot of issues surrounding our faith like political, social, and economical issues going on around the country right now that are misunderstood, and so I think it provides a good opportunity for him to provide some clarity for students and questions that they might have regarding some of those areas."

Basaraba said he is thankful that the Archbishop stopped by the Catholic schools in town.

"We are grateful that he took time out of his day or his schedule to come and visit with our students and connect with them," he said.



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Archbishop Richard Smith met the students of Holy Trinity Academy on April 16. The Archbishop aims to visit all 162 Catholic schools within his diocese.

Being wise in choosing a financial advisor is necessary

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Choosing a financial advisor is as important as choosing investments. With either, taking time to make the right decision can have a big impact on portfolio performance over the long term. There is much to consider.

Seek a professional who fits your financial goals. Many advisors are specialists and not as you would tune a generalist to process a real estate transaction. Consider how you choose an advisor who isn't right for you can be helpful to seek recommendations from friends who have requirements similar to yours, but do this with care as well as essential.

Check the advisor's qualifications. Full details on advisors registered with the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC) are provided through the IIROC Advi-

sorReport website, free of charge. Investors can determine if the advisor is a properly qualified and registered professional at an IIROC regulated firm, and can conduct research on their background including disciplinary issues.

Ask about experience and education. To use a medical analogy, the best doctors keep up with the latest medicines and techniques, and it's the same in financial planning where the leaders are committed to expanding their knowledge. The financial industry requires advisors to update skills through continuing education but some choose to go further by acquiring special designations and accreditation beyond regulated requirements.

An advisor should have products and services that fit your financial profile. Some advisors are only qualified to offer one type of product, such as mutual funds

and may be viable for small portfolios, but investors with larger portfolios will want more choices. Others, such as high-net-worth clients, need integrated financial planning services, which include tax and estate planning, retirement planning, and insurance.

Many investors have shifted to discretionary portfolio management services where the day-to-day investment decisions are delegated to a Portfolio Manager (PM). Unlike traditional advisors, PMs can publish their track record. Investors who are not using PMs should ask for the track record of the various products they employ in their portfolios. It is also advisable to ask for testimonials.

Advisor cost is a critical factor but surveys have shown that nearly half of investors are unaware of the fees they pay. That should never be. Ask to have the fee structure clarified in detail

and insist on a written statement of all fees. You must know exactly how much you're paying and what you're getting in return. Part of an advisor's value proposition must be that they will pay attention to you, which includes responding to issues in a

timely and meaningful fashion. Again, insist on clarity. The advisor should provide a clear communication plan that includes the frequency and type of contact with you, as well as a schedule for portfolio reviews.

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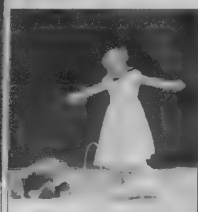
LOCAL MUSIC FEST CELEBRATES 25 YEARS

From April 13 to 16, different performances of speech, musical theatre and dance by performers of all ages at the Drayton Valley Kun Club Festival held at the Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre. The festival celebrates its 25th anniversary. The week started off with speech on April 13, followed by musical theatre from April 14 and 15, and ending with choir from April 15 to 16.



Left: For musical theatre: balled eight and under, Rebecca Harkes performs Tomorrow.

Below: Callie Elliott performs The Teddy Bear.



On April 16, Grade 5 students from the Eldorado School performed two songs, The Carrion Crow and The Trolls.

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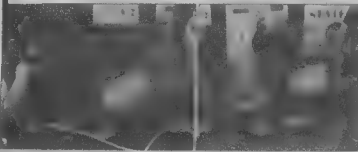
ECDC CELEBRATES EARTH DAY



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Above: Virginia Johnson from the Rotary Children's Library read Fancy Nancy. Everyday is Earth Day to the children on April 13 at the Drayton Valley Early Childhood Development Centre.

Below: On April 13, children at the Drayton Valley Early Childhood Development Centre were shown the worm needed to make a vermicomposter.



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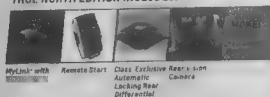


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